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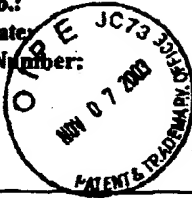
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INTERMEDIATE RELEASE NICOTINIC ACID COMPOSITIONS FOR
TREATING HYPERLIPIDEMIA WHICH EXHIBIT AN IN VIVO STAIR-
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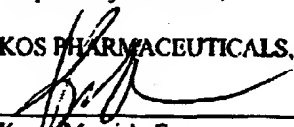
REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants request a three (3) month extension of time up to and including 6 November 2003 for filing a Response pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in the above-referenced case. Please charge the required fee of \$950.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to our Deposit Account No. 50-²⁵⁴³0943. In addition, please also charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this matter to our deposit account.

If there are any questions, please call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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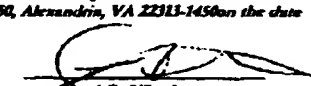
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